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Dear Dr. George:

If your supply permiss, I would appreciate a reprint of your review on carbon-functional silicenes which appeared in Chemical Reviews last year.

I am interested in the possibility of effective substitution of Si for C in bacterial metabolism.

Do you have any reference to the synthesis of such simple compounds as $SiH_{\chi}OCOH$?

Yours sincerely,

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